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IN RE: PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE (PPA) PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION,

MDL NO. 1407

This document relates to all actions

ORDER REGARDING CASE MANAGEMENT ORDERS 15 AND 15A

It appearing to the Court that the parties disagree as to the interpretation of CMO No. 15, the Court finds and rules as follows:

CMO No. 15 is clear on its face and is subject to only one interpretation: That within 30 days of the date of CMO No. 15, new individual complaints were to be filed in any multi-plaintiff cases then pending, excluding those cases alleging loss of consortium on behalf of a spouse.

Since CMO No. 15 was entered on May 29, 2003, all new individual complaints in cases pending in MDL 1407 as of May 29, 2003 had to be filed and served on or before June 29, 2003.

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Nothing in CMO No. 15A alters the 30 day period that plaintiffs had in which to file new individual complaints.

The Court directs defendants, within seven (7) days of this minute entry, to file a single proposed order of dismissal listing all cases in which plaintiffs filed untimely new individual complaints.¹

DATED at Seattle, Washington this 30^{th} day of October, 2003.

/s/ Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
BARBARA JACOBS ROTHSTEIN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

¹The Court considers the individual complaints filed by plaintiffs in the following three cases to have been timely filed: Storms v. Bayer Corp. CV 03-2160, Reeder v. Bayer Corp. CV 03-2159, and Forth v. Bayer Corp. CV 03-2161.